KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

STAFF NOTE

Review Item:

Textbook Mathematics Adoption IV, 2009-2010

Applicable Statute or Regulation:

KRS 156.395 KRS 156.400

History/Background:

Existing Policy: In December, KDE was asked by the Governor's office to develop a proposal to address the budget deficit by submitting a 2% reduction plan. The department's proposed plan reduced textbook allocations by 28%. In the plan, the reduction would have resulted in suspension of the textbook adoption cycle, and as a result mathematics textbook purchasing would have been delayed until fiscal year 2010-2011. The textbook adoption cycle would then resume its normal process beginning in fiscal year 2010-2011. KDE would have allowed the remaining textbook allotment, for fiscal year 2008-2009 and the entire allotment for fiscal year 2009-2010, to be used for purchases relative to existing book replacements, instructional resource acquisitions or previously-reduced flexible focus fund replenishment.

However, due to some uncertainty on the method KDE is to apply in implementing part of the budget bill language relative to the 2% reduction and because all textbook funding decisions for 2009 are not final, we will now continue with the adoption cycle. SB1 states that schools and districts may choose to delay the purchase of mathematics instructional resources until the revised mathematics standards are released in December 2009. The decision of whether or not to delay purchasing is a local decision. Practical Living and Vocational Studies materials will be reviewed this summer as the cycle outlined in Attachment A indicates.

Policy Issue(s):

- The State Multiple List for Adoption Cycle IV, Mathematics, is available online at https://www.education.ky.gov/KDE/Instructional+Resources/Textbooks+and+Other+Instructional+Resources/Adoption+Group+IV+-+Mathematics+2009+-+2015.htm
- Schools and districts may choose to move forward with mathematics purchases using their FY10 allotment available July 1, 2009 either from the State Multiple List or using the Off-list Notification Process that is available online at https://www.education.ky.gov/KDE/Instructional+Resources/Information+for+Schools+and+Districts/
- Per SB1, schools and districts may opt to delay making purchasing decisions until the revised mathematics standards are released in December 2009. At that point, they may make purchases from the State Multiple List or use the Off-list Notification Process. Regardless of their chosen

- timeline for purchasing, the State Multiple List and Off-list Notification Process remains the same as currently posted. The language in SB1 is locally permissive and does not address the textbook allotment amount.
- KDE will move forward with putting in place Adoption Cycle V, Practical Living/Vocational Studies (PLVS), during the 2009-2010 school year with the State Multiple List posted for July 1, 2010 purchasing decisions.
- As with all other state-funded programs, it is not possible at this time to project how the future budget will impact textbook allotment, but KDE will move forward with the PLVS cycle in order to have the State Multiple List and Off-list Notification process in place.
- Be reminded that the state textbook allotment only addresses K-8 textbooks, but the State Multiple List and Off-list Notification Process are required to make high school purchases.

Impact on Getting to Proficiency:

This process ensures that teachers and students have access to the most current instructional resources in a variety of formats and learning levels.

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